Ambulance services

2104.SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's ambitious project to start ambulance services in various cities across the country in collaboration with a private institute is in trouble since it lacks transparency;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has granted funds to States under National Rural Health Mission for ambulance services; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government to adopt transparency methods in introducing ambulance services across the country?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS): (a) to (d) The scheme for establishment of Trauma Care Centres on the National Highways is being implemented by this Ministry during the 11th Five Year Plan. To augment the ambulance services, the National Highway Authority of India is providing ambulance at a distance of every 50 kms.

Under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) of this Ministry, funds have been approved for ambulance services to various States. The details are given in the Statement (*See* below).

Under the Mission, the State Governments prepare the Annual Implementation Plan after following due process which is examined and approved by the National Programme Coordination Committee (NPCC) under NRHM. Thereafter the funds are released as a Mission Flexipool which is utilized as per State's priority and as per financial rules of State Governments.

Statement

(Amount in Lakhs)

S.No.	State/UT	Amount Approved
1	2	3
	2006-07	
1	Madhya Pradesh	588
2	Rajasthan	500.00
3	Assam	750.00
4	Arunachal Pradesh	240.00
5	Manipur	54.00
6	Nagaland	35.00
7	Meghalaya	90.00
8	Andhra Pradesh	1000.00
	TOTAL :	3257.00

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1	2	3
1	Bihar	1000.00
2	Madhya Pradesh	1040.00
3	Uttar Pradesh	4740.16
4	Jammu and Kashmir	400.00
5	Gujarat	319.00
6	Goa	48.00
7	Assam	1000.00
8	Sikkim	72.00
9	Mizoram	90.00
10	Tripura	97.08
	TOTAL :	8806.24

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1	Bihar	8.40
2	Jammu and Kashmir	1000.00
3	Madhya Pradesh	3826.34
4	Rajasthan	2500
5	Uttar Pradesh	1843.81
6	Uttarakhand	1000.00
7	Andhra Pradesh	10000.00
8	Gujarat	4006.24
9	Karnataka	679.00
10	Kerala	1147.67
11	Maharashtra	610.50
12	Tamil Nadu	954.97
13	Assam	5045.00
14	Arunachal Pradesh	90.00
15	Manipur	61.20
16	Meghalaya	82.20

1	2	3
17	Mizoram	182.40
18	Nagaland	119.00
19	Sikkim	201.01
20	Tripura	97.80
21	Daman and Diu	48.23
	TOTAL :	33503.77

Immunization thrust for low coverage area

2105. SHRIMATI T. RATNA BAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the community health workers will be asked to give priority to the villages and habitations that are never or rarely reached, followed by those, where immunization was planned but not held during the last 2-4 months; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of villages where routine immunization is normally done but coverage is low?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS): (a) and (b) The States have been instructed to focus on un-served and underserved areas where immunization coverage has been low. Detailed micro-plan to identify such villages / areas is done by the States as per their specific needs as it is a decentralized activity.

Special immunisation drive

2106. SHRIMATI T. RATNA BAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had carried out special drive in the States where the immunization is very low in the agency area of some States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether his Ministry has provided additional inputs and funds for the purpose; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS): (a) and (b) Special Immunization drive had been launched since January, 2006, in 17 States where performance under routine immunization is relatively low. These States are Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Orissa, Rajasthan, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Meghalaya, Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura and West Bengal.

(c) and (d) Government of India is providing vaccine and cold chain items in kind to States for this purpose. Even though no separate funds are provided for immunization drives in the field, States